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ZELPHY OF THE AION

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CHAPTER 3: OFF THE WORLD, ITALY-VAADIZ

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TIME FOR ACTION.
JUSTICE TO AION.

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(AION STANDARD
CALENDAR)
AFTER HIS
COUNTRY
COLLAPSED
LYSJA, PRINCE
OF THE UNITED
KINGDOM OF
ZAYSION, DIS-
GUISED HIMSELF
AS A PLUMBER
AT LAST...
HE ESCAPED
FROM
PHADZIMAAL
WITH THE
HELP OF
ENOC

LYSJA'S JOURNEY IN THIS STAR OCEAN HAS BEGUN.

ONWARD TO RECOVER HIS KINGDOM.

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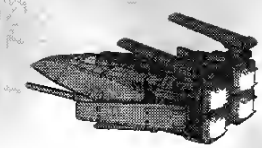

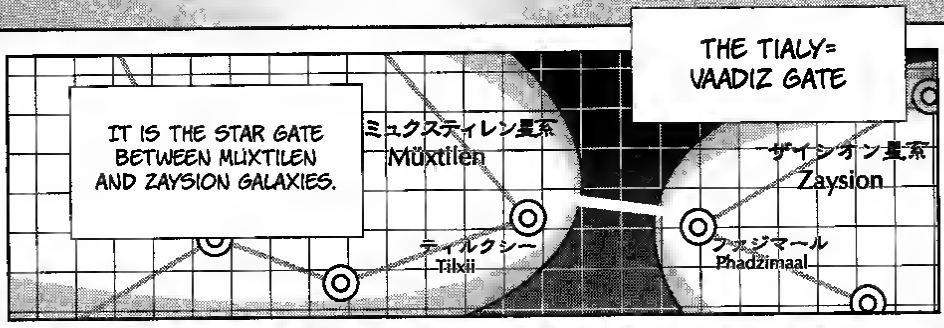
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IT IS THE STAR GATE BETWEEN MLIXTILEN AND ZAYSION GALAXIES.
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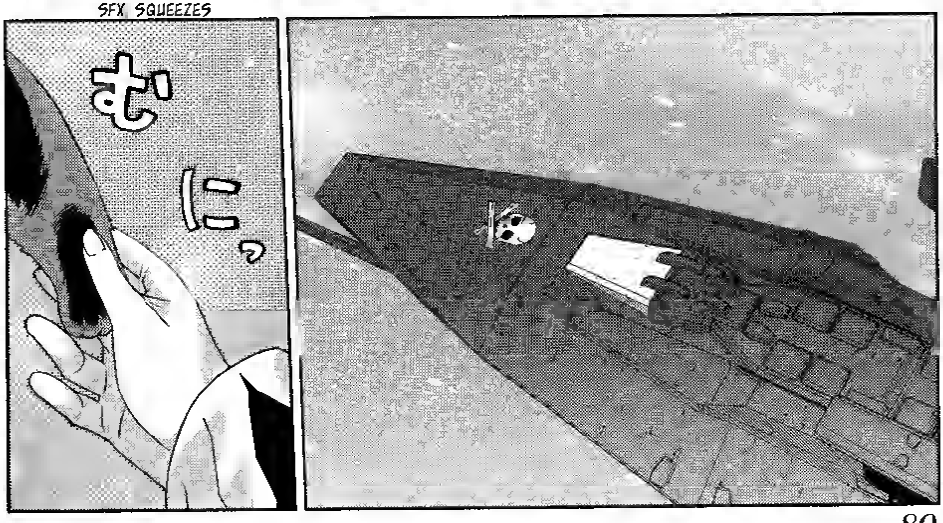
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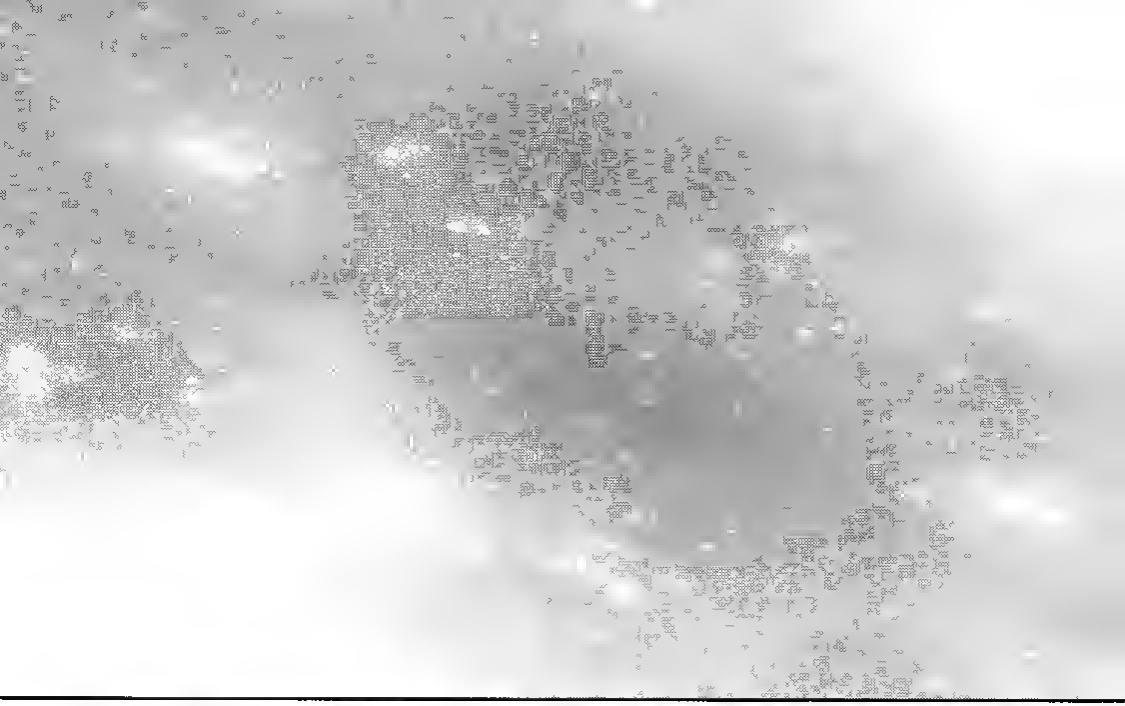

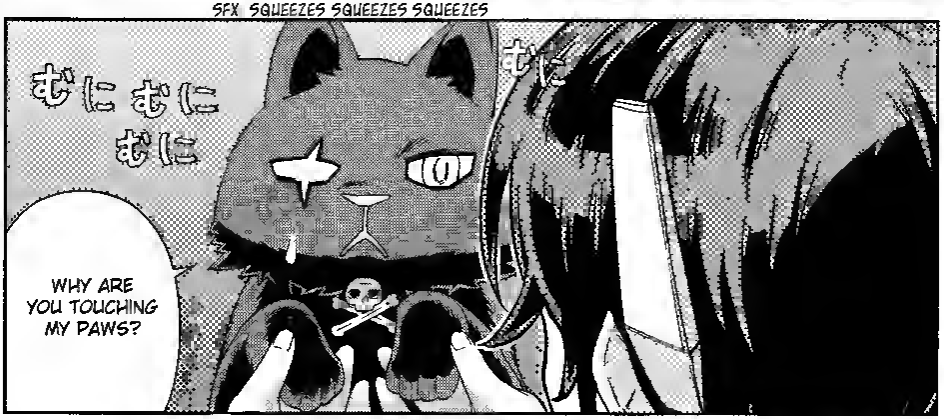
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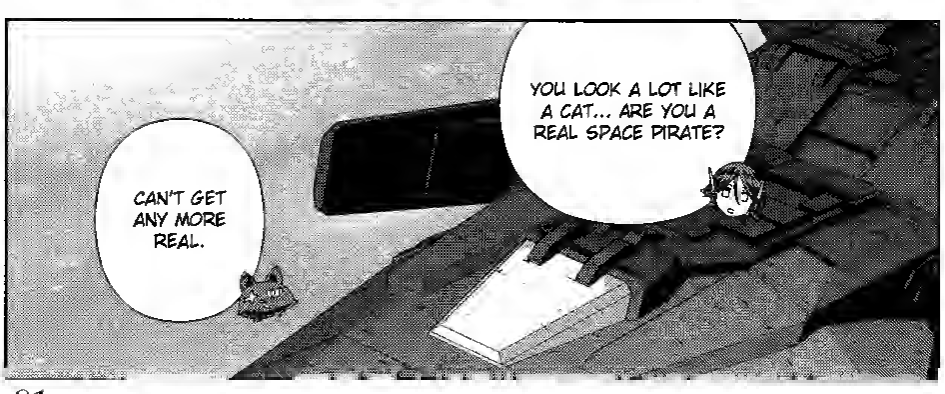
WHY ARE YOU TOUCHING MY PAWS?


YOU LOOK A LOT LIKE A CAT... ARE YOU A REAL SPACE PIRATE?
CAN'T GET ANY MORE REAL.

I'D LOVE TO SHOW YOU MY ORIGINAL HUMAN BODY,
HOWEVER, I LOST MY BODY DURING A FIGHT AGAINST THE GATE KEEPERS,
TOGETHER WITH "HIM", WE ATTEMPTED TO SAVE ZAYSION.
AND MY BRAIN WAS TRANSPLANTED INTO THIS CAT CYBORG.
WOMEN COULDN'T STOP CLINGING TO ME WHEN I STILL HAD IT...

I hate bugs!!!
It's so hard! Really, too hard!!
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And now I'm stuck living in hiding in the back alleys full of mice and bugs!
But this is what I've become...
IT- IT MUST BE TOUGH FOR YOU..

Is to set you off to this journey!
Everything we've done...
!

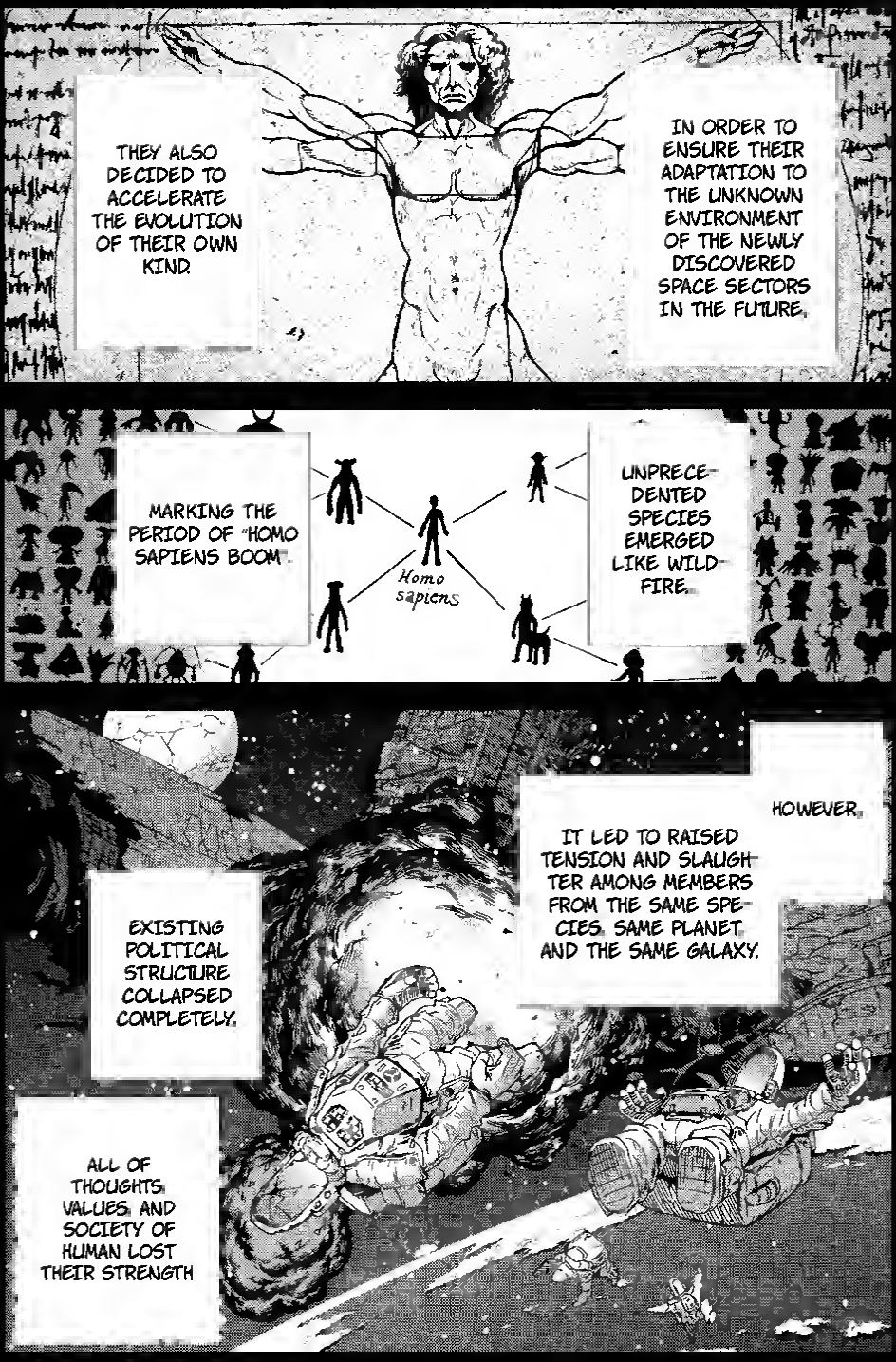
AND FORCEFULLY TERMINATED THE "MILLENNIUM EXPERIMENT".
THE MILITARY FEDERATION, GATE KEEPERS OF AION, TOOK CONTROL OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE.

YOU'VE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY...
IN ORDER TO RESUME THE MILLENNIUM EXPERIMENT OF THE GODDESSES!
AS THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF THE ZAYSION ROYAL FAMILY, YOU'RE THE KEY
TO THE RESTO-RATION OF THE KINGDOM...

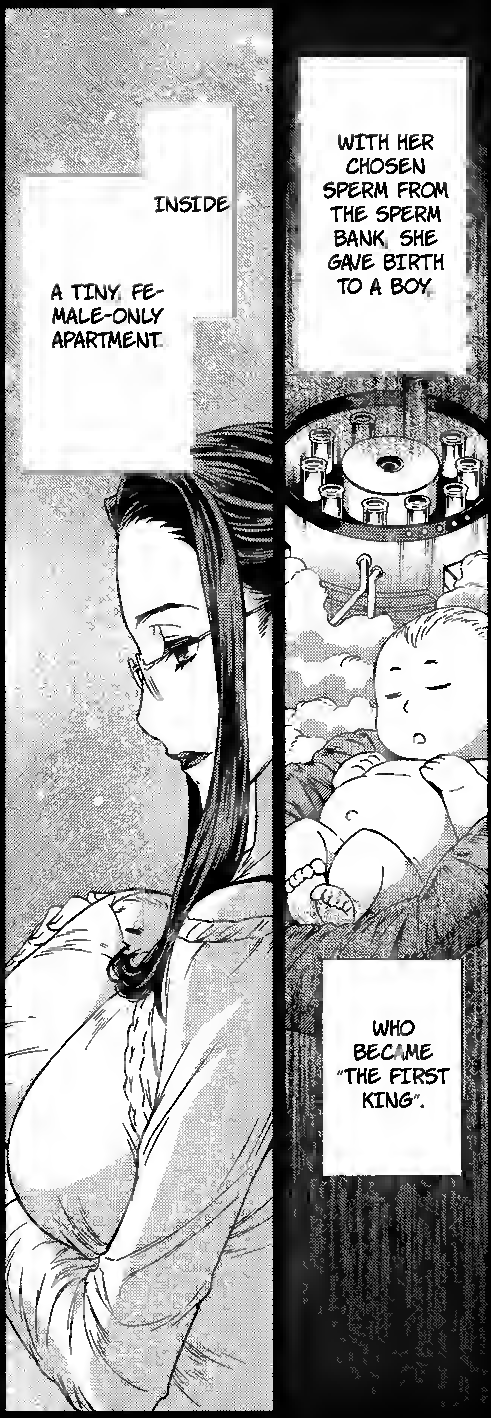
COMPOUND SATELLITE CITY, PHADZIMAAL
CENTRAL CONTROL ROOM
WHERE IS THAT PIRATE SHIP?
THEY ENTERED THE TIALY=VAADIZ GATE.
DO NOT LET THEM ESCAPE!
CHASE AFTER THEM.

SPREAD THE MINES
TO TRAP THEM!
WHO'S SPEAKING...?
IT ISN'T GENERAL IXENIS...?
BUT... I SENSE A GREAT PRESSURE TO COMPLY FROM THE "POWER ORDER"...!
WE WILL NOT PERMIT ANY UNAUTHORIZED GATE TRAVELLING.
ELIMINATE THEM.
AND BRING THEM TO DEATH!
CAPTURE THEM...

PICOPICO IS THIS LITTLE GUY?
PICOPICO WANTS TO KNOW WHAT THE MILLENNIUM EXPERIMENT IS.
YEAH, I NAMED HIM
PICO!
PICO?
PICO?
IT SAYS IT'S ANGRY AT BEING CALLED A DEFECT.
PICO PICO!
PICO!
SEEMS THAT ITS EMOTION PROCESSOR IS WORKING.
IS IT DEFECTIVE?
IT ISN'T IMPLANTED WITH BASIC KNOWLEDGE INTO ITS MEMORY DISK...
A THOUSAND YEARS AGO,
HUMANS BEGAN TO LEAVE THEIR BIRTH HABITAT, AND DISPERSE TO THE GREATER UNIVERSE. ONCE STAR GATES WERE DEVELOPED IN SPACE.
NASA

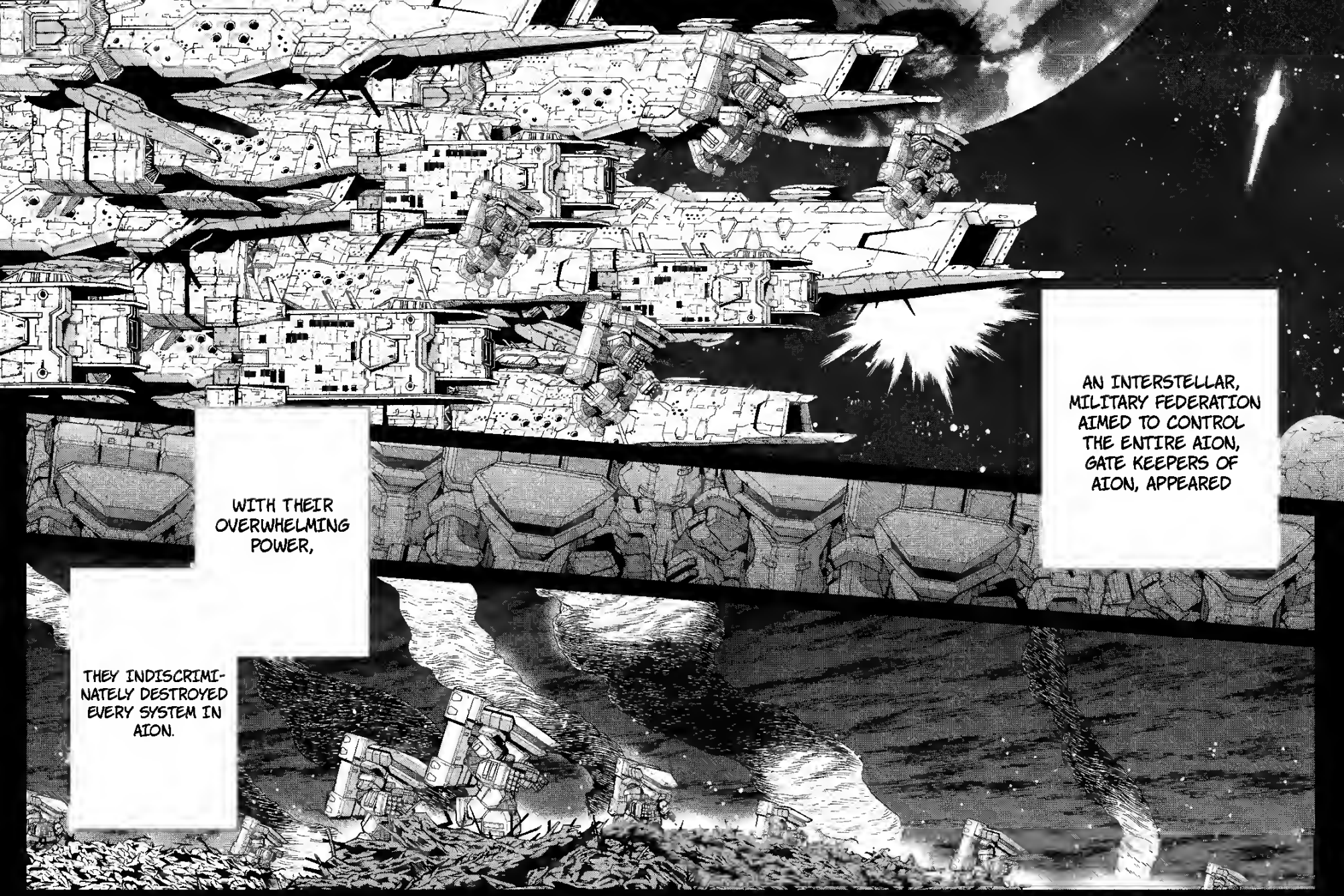

THEY ALSO DECIDED TO ACCELERATE THE EVOLUTION OF THEIR OWN KIND.
IN ORDER TO ENSURE THEIR ADAPTATION TO THE UNKNOWN ENVIRONMENT OF THE NEWLY DISCOVERED SPACE SECTORS IN THE FUTURE.
MARKING THE PERIOD OF "HOMO SAPIENS BOOM".
Homo sapiens
UNPRECEDENTED SPECIES EMERGED LIKE WILD FIRE.
HOWEVER,
IT LED TO RAISED TENSION AND SLAUGHTER AMONG MEMBERS FROM THE SAME SPECIES, SAME PLANET, AND THE SAME GALAXY.
EXISTING POLITICAL STRUCTURE COLLAPSED COMPLETELY.
ALL OF THOUGHTS, VALUES, AND SOCIETY OF HUMAN LOST THEIR STRENGTH

TWO FEMALE SOCIOLOGISTS EACH BEGAN THEIR RESPECTIVE EXPERIMENTS.
THEN IN 249 ASC,
THESE TWO MILLENNIUM EXPERIMENTS WERE EXPECTED
TO GUIDE THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY.
DR. ISABELLA ZAYSION WAS ONE OF THE TWO SOCIOLOGISTS
HER EXPERIMENT,
WAS TO CREATE A "ROYAL FAMILY" TO REIGN OVER HALF OF AION FOR A THOUSAND YEARS. THROUGH THE OBSERVATION OF THE KINGDOM'S DEVELOPMENT, HER GOAL WAS TO FIND TRENDS OF THE FUTURE.


INSIDE A TINY, FEMALE-ONLY APARTMENT.
WITH HER CHOSEN SPERM FROM THE SPERM BANK, SHE GAVE BIRTH TO A BOY.
WHO BECAME "THE FIRST KING".

THAT'S WHERE "DR. IZABELLA ZAYSION'S PROPOSED EXPERIMENTAL MILLENNIUM KINGDOM" BEGAN.

THE KINGDOM STARTED OFF AS SMALL AS A MINIATURE "DOLL HOUSE",
BUT IN A FEW CENTURIES TIME IT RAPIDLY ENGULFED OTHER PLANETS AND GALAXIES,
AND DEVELOPED INTO A KINGDOM THAT GOVERNED HALF OF THE HUMAN POPULATION...!
EVERYTHING PROGRESSED ACCORDING TO DR. ZAYSION'S PROPOSAL.
HUMANS HAD FINALLY OBTAINED THE KEY TO PEACE.
OR, SO IT SEEMED..


AN INTERSTELLAR, MILITARY FEDERATION AIMED TO CONTROL THE ENTIRE AION, GATE KEEPERS OF AION, APPEARED
WITH THEIR OVERWHELMING POWER,
THEY INDISCRIMI-NATELY DESTROYED EVERY SYSTEM IN AION.

PICO.
THANKS, PICOPICO.
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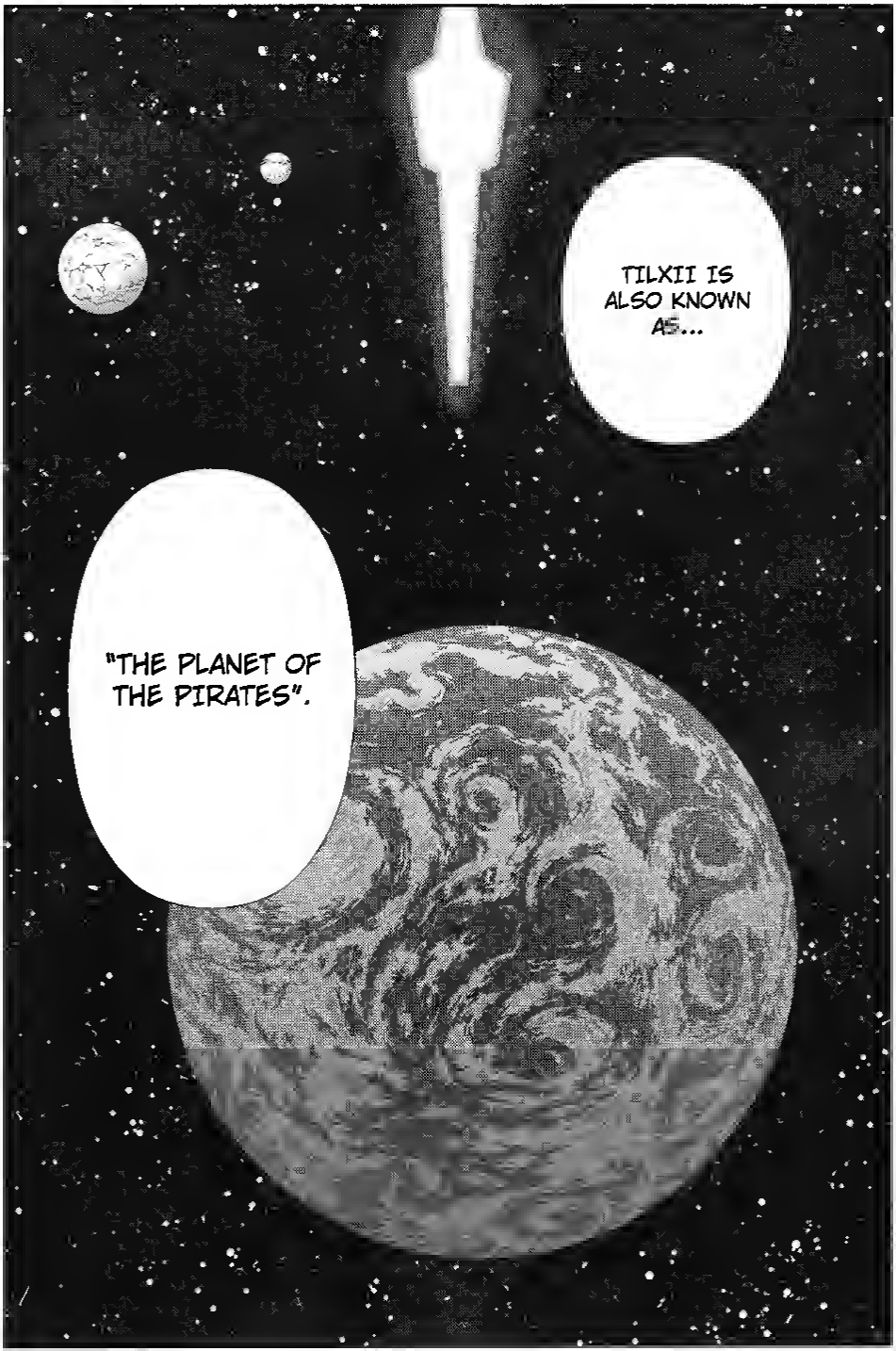
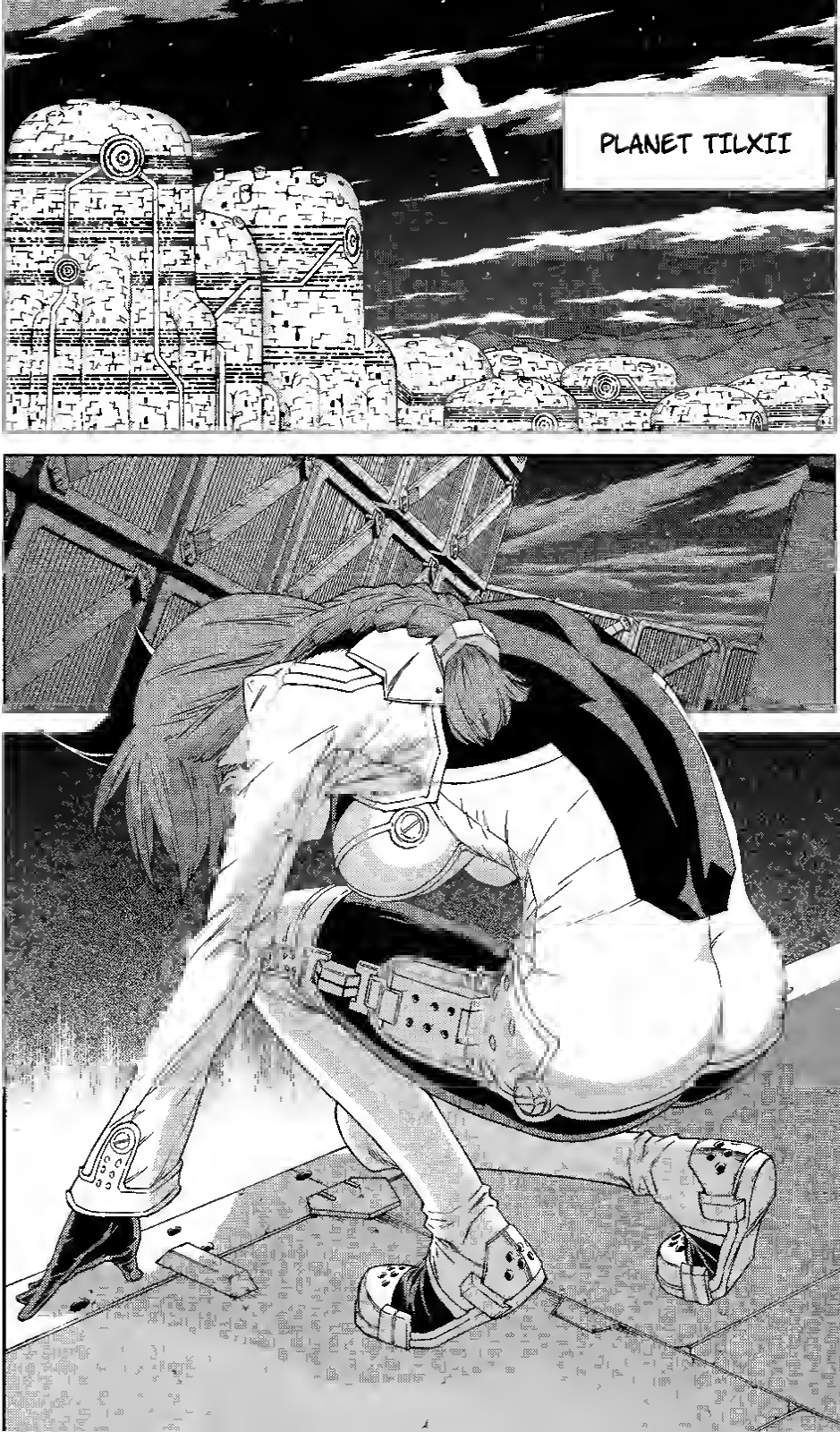
FIRST, LET'S GO THROUGH THIS GATE
AND LAND ON TILXII.
COM-RADES?
YES.
SINCE WE ONLY HAVE ONE FIGHTER SHIP NOW,
WE CAN'T CONFRONT THE "GATE KEEPERS" IF WE DON'T GATHER MORE "COMRADES".

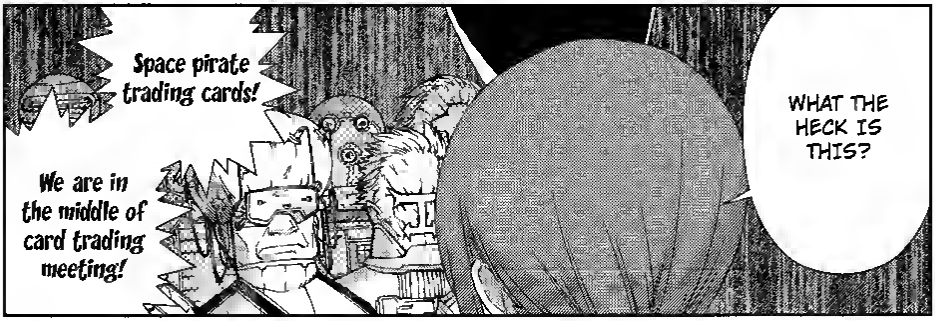

TILXII IS ALSO KNOWN AS...
"THE PLANET OF THE PIRATES".


PLANET TILXII

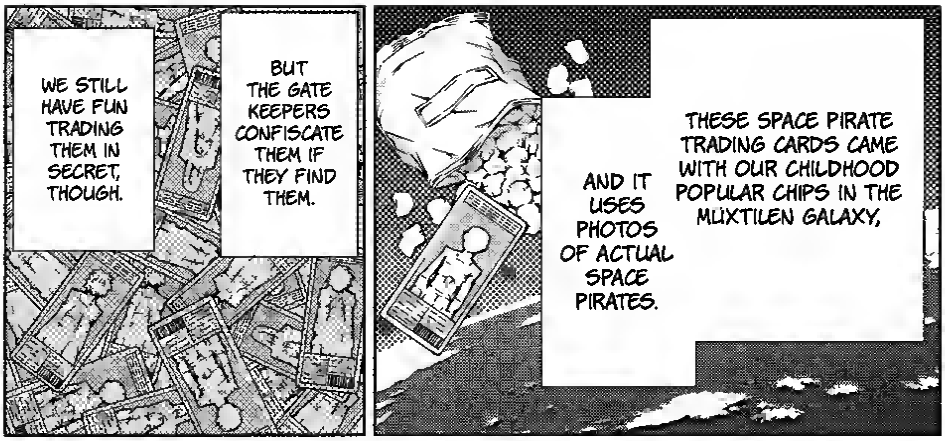
SO YOU BROUGHT "IT"?
OF COURSE.
WE'VE GOT IT HERE.
FREEZE!
PIRATE SCUM!

Uwa aah!
What's that!?
I'M AN OFFICER OF THE TILXII GROUND CONTROL CORP. OF THE AION POLICE DEPARTMENT,
INSPECTOR ALVERA!

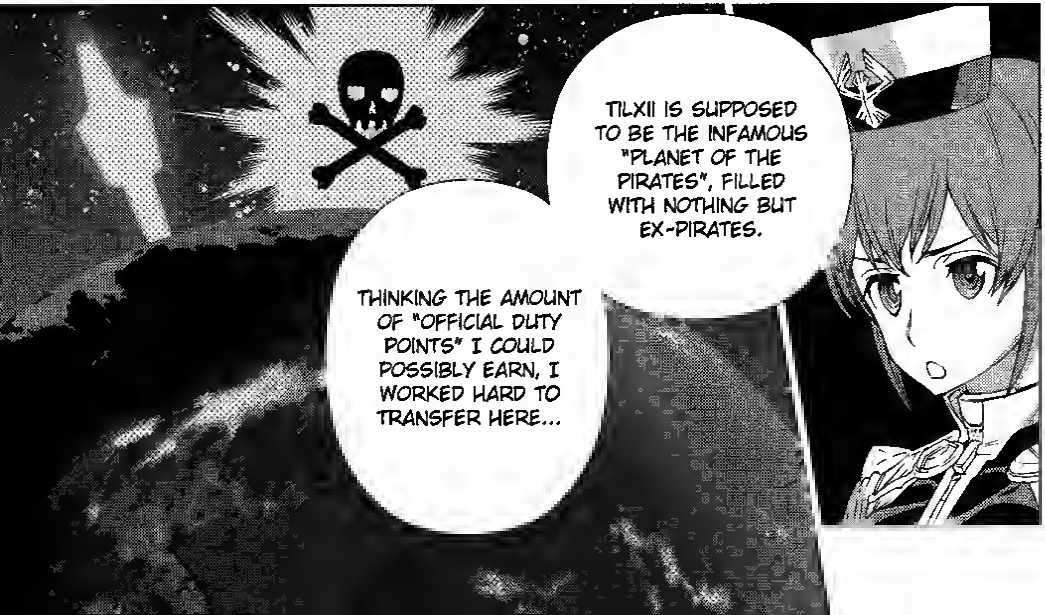
TH- THIS IS...
NOW!!
HAND OVER THE BRIEF-CASE!
AHHH!!
STOP!


Space pirate trading cards!
We are in the middle of card trading meeting!
WHAT THE HECK IS THIS?

This isn't, you idiot!
SO THIS ISN'T A BANNED SUBSTANCES DEAL?

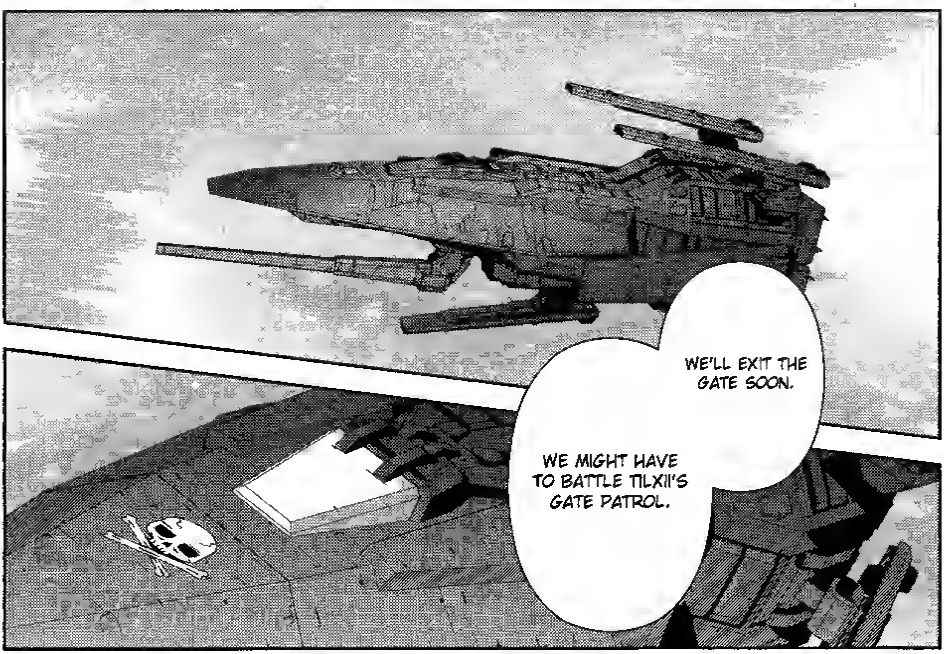

THESE SPACE PIRATE TRADING CARDS CAME WITH OUR CHILDHOOD POPULAR CHIPS IN THE MUXTILEN GALAXY,
AND IT USES PHOTOS OF ACTUAL SPACE PIRATES.
BUT THE GATE KEEPERS CONFISCATE THEM IF THEY FIND THEM.
WE STILL HAVE FUN TRADING THEM IN SECRET, THOUGH.

DON'T TRY TO MISLEAD ME!
SINCE YOU'RE ALREADY IN THIS SCENE, CAN'T YOU JUST TRADE YOUR DRUGS AND LET ME ARREST YOU?
What scene!?
No, you stupid! Idiot!

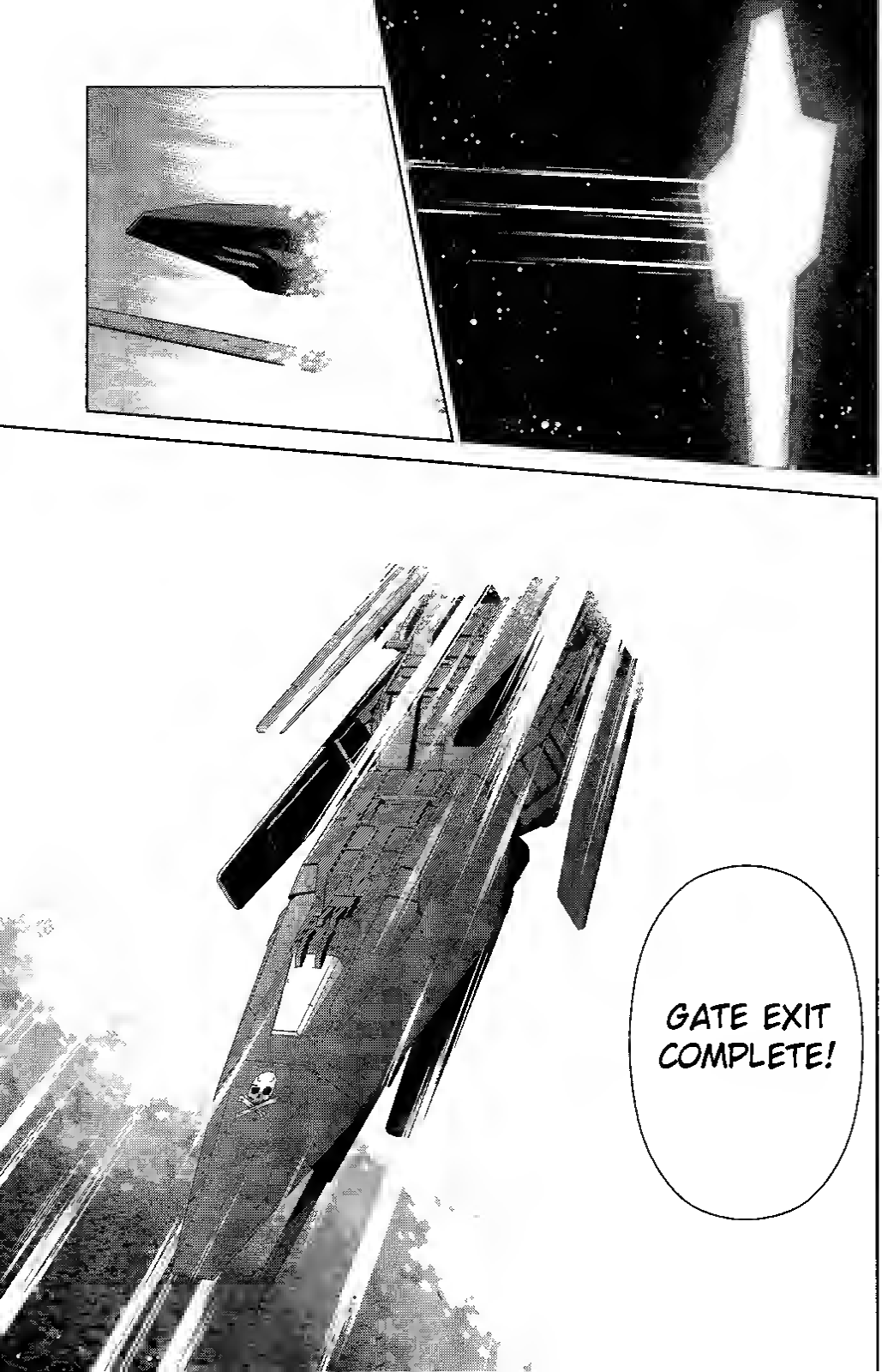

TILXII IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE INFAMOUS "PLANET OF THE PIRATES", FILLED WITH NOTHING BUT EX-PIRATES.
THINKING THE AMOUNT OF "OFFICIAL DUTY POINTS" I COULD POSSIBLY EARN, I WORKED HARD TO TRANSFER HERE...

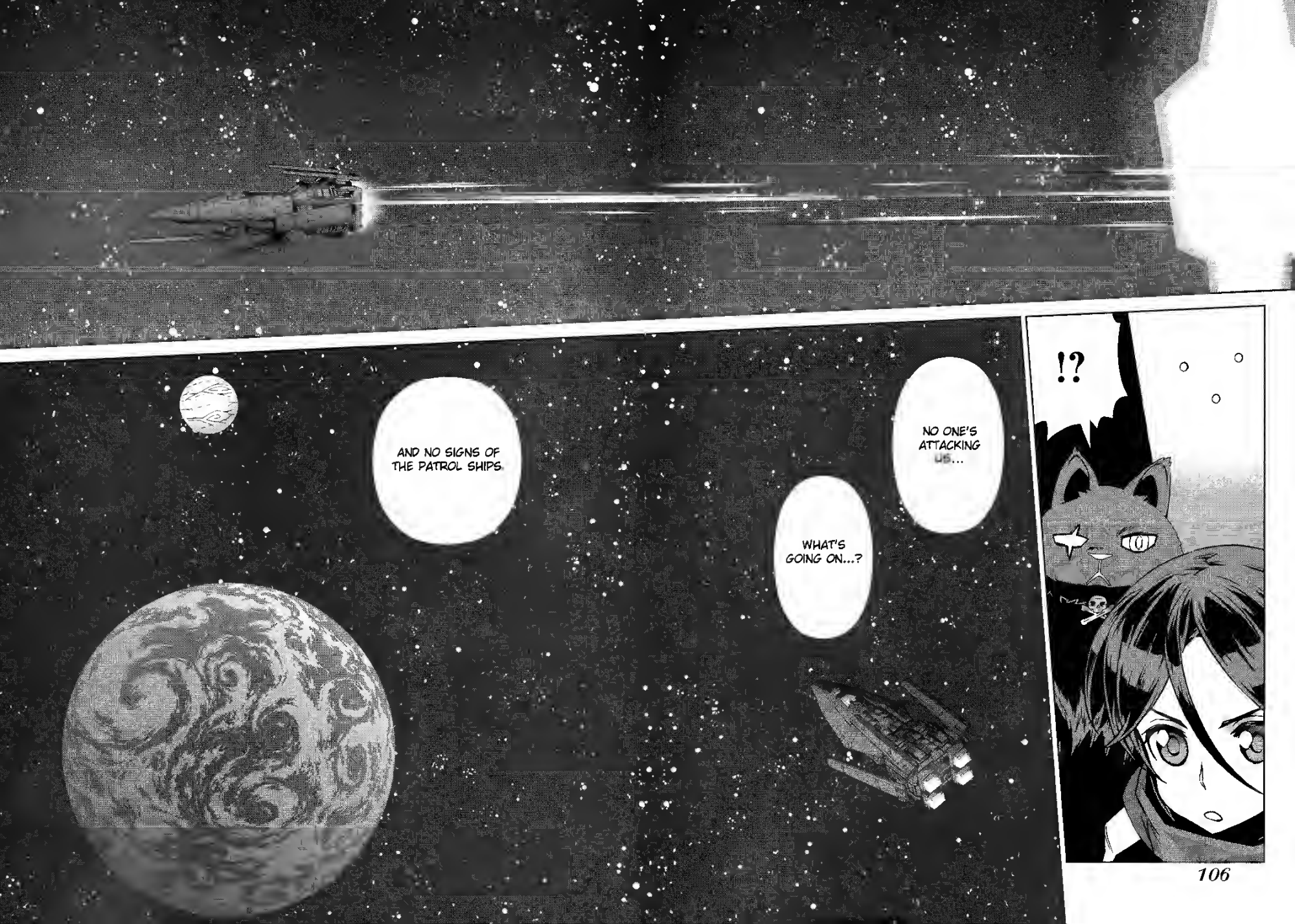
I'd get 120 points if I can round up a "banned substance deal"!
Then I can purchase a promotion for "Area wide inspector".
WHAT'S WITH THAT SYSTEM...
If you really are ex-pirates, you guys should be involved in some minor crimes at least!
But it ended up being unusually peaceful!
THAT'S NOT YOUR CONCERN!
STILL, THAT DOESN'T MAKE US RAMPAGING THIEVES!
MANY OF US TURNED TO PIRACY BECAUSE WE COULDN'T TOLERATE THE GATE KEEPERS.
IN OURS, WE CAN'T EVEN TALK TO GIRLS AT THE SPACE PORT.
THE CURFEWS OF OUR ORGANIZATION ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED, TOO
YOU GUYS SURE ARE WELL BEHAVED.
IN REALITY, PIRATE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE DISCIPLINE.
WE DARE NOT DO ANYTHING BAD, EVEN IF WE WANT TO.

SUCH A HORRIBLE SYSTEM...
And it's expensive as hell!
Transferring also needs points!
WHY DON'T YOU TRANSFER TO A PLANET WITH HIGHER CRIME RATES IF YOU WANT TO EARN POINTS THAT MUCH?
Since this planet is too peaceful, that means I am stuck here forever once I arrived...
Hell!!
This planet is a complete hell!
THAT'S AN AWFUL THING TO SAY.
WELL, GOOD LUCK...


WE'LL EXIT THE GATE SOON.
WE MIGHT HAVE TO BATTLE TILXII'S GATE PATROL.

BRACE YOURSELF!


GATE EXIT
COMPLETE!


AND NO SIGNS OF THE PATROL SHIPS
NO ONE'S ATTACKING US...
WHAT'S GOING ON...?
!?

PICO PICO!
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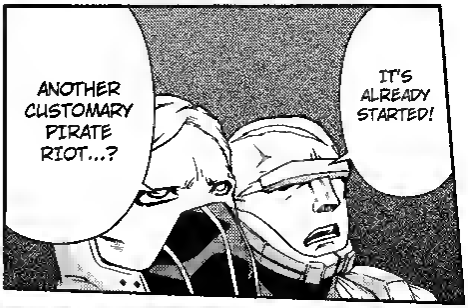
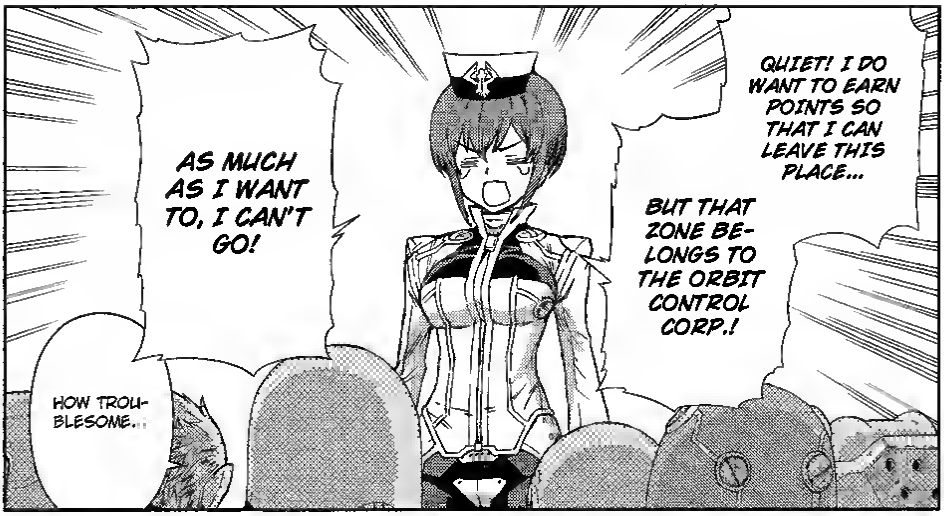
A BATTLE!?


IT'S ALREADY STARTED!
ANOTHER CUSTOMARY PIRATE RIOT...?

HEY OFFICER!
RATHER THAN TARGETING EX-PIRATES LIKE US WHY DON'T YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT!


AS MUCH AS I WANT TO, I CAN'T GO!
QUIET! I DO WANT TO EARN POINTS SO THAT I CAN LEAVE THIS PLACE...
BUT THAT ZONE BELONGS TO THE ORBIT CONTROL CORP.!
HOW TROUBLESOME...

I WILL...!
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